

NORTH CAROLINA

Park Operational Base Summary: The table below shows the annual park operating base for all parks within this state. Park operational base funds are supplemented by as yet undetermined amounts of project funding from regional or servicewide-managed programs, such as cyclic maintenance, the Natural Resources Preservation Program, and the Drug Enforcement Program.

If a park is in more than one state, the park is included in each of the appropriate state tables. The full operating base is shown; no attempt has been made to split the park operating base amount between two or more states.

		(dollars in thousands)				
Congress'l	District Park Units/Trails/Affiliated Areas	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2005	FY 2005
		Enacted	Enacted	Uncontrol	Program	
				Changes	Changes	Estimate
	00 Appalachian NST	1,034	1,024	0	0	1,024
05,10,11	Blue Ridge Parkway	13,576	13,452	0	0	13,452
03	Cape Hatteras Group - Cape Hatteras NS, Fort Raleigh NHS, Wright Brothers NMem	7,151	7,111	0	-129	6,982
03	Cape Lookout NS	1,498	1,491	0	0	1,491
11	Carl Sandburg Home NHS	934	929	0	0	929
11	Great Smoky Mountains NP	15,608	15,329	0	0	15,329
06	Guilford Courthouse NMP	601	598	0	0	598
07	Moores Creek NB	366	409	0	109	518
00	Overmountain Victory NHT	134	163	0	0	163

FY 2005 uncontrollable funding related to pay and benefits has yet to be distributed at the park level.

This table does not include programs from other appropriations such as General Management Plans, Land Acquisition, Line Item Construction, Federal Lands Highway Program, and Historic Preservation Fund State Grants. Information on the distribution of funds in these programs is outlined on the next page. There are separate sections on General Management Plans and the Trails Management Program.

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Cape Hatteras National Seashore, North Carolina

-\$638,000 and -4.5 FTEs to Eliminate Short-term Funding for First Flight Celebration

The NPS requests the elimination of non-recurring funding provided in FY 2003 to support activities related to the First Flight Centennial Celebration held in 2003 and 2004.

\$509,000 and 5.0 FTEs to Improve Resource Management and Protect Resources

Funding is requested to improve management of natural and cultural resources and to improve resource patrols at Cape Hatteras National Seashore, Cape Lookout National Seashore, Fort Raleigh National Historic Site and Wright Brothers National Memorial. Resources in these parks are at risk due to their location on a series of interconnected narrow, fragile, dynamic barrier islands, visited annually by four million people. Resource inventories are outdated or missing, and baseline information is lacking. Funding would provide for inventorying and monitoring of water quality, coastal processes, threatened and endangered species, wildlife, vegetation, visitor use, and social demographics. Funding would also allow the completion of museum standards and cultural resources baseline inventories. The availability of objective and reliable data would result in informed management decisions, contributing to improved conditions and better visitor understanding and appreciation of park resources.

Moores Creek National Battlefield, North Carolina

\$109,000 and 2.0 FTEs to Improve Visitor Safety and Operate Additional Facilities

Funding is requested to expand park operations for new facilities and increased visitation. With additional interstate signage, park visitation has increased from 49,000 in 1997 to 70,738 in 2003. Funding would be used to keep the visitor center open at all times when the park is open, operate a new educational facility, operate a new maintenance facility, maintain new restrooms and an administrative building, add 150 educational programs per year and provide resource protection during periods of high visitation. Park orientation would be available for all visitors and 80% of school and military groups would receive talks or tours. Visitor safety would remain high. Historic monuments and earthworks would be protected and facility maintenance would improve.

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(dollars in thousands)

PROGRAMS NOT INCLUDED IN PARK BASE:

GENERAL MANAGEMENT PLANS (See GMP section for further information)

<u>Park Area</u>	<u>Type of Project</u>
Blue Ridge Parkway	Potential New Start
Cape Lookout NS	Potential New Start
Fort Raleigh NHS	Potential New Start

SPECIAL STUDIES (See GMP section for further information)

<u>Study Area</u>	<u>Type of Project</u>
Cape Hatteras NS, Oregon Inlet	
Dredging	Ongoing Study
Great Smoky Mountains NP, Cades	
Cove EIS	Ongoing Study

LAND ACQUISITION

None

CONSTRUCTION: LINE ITEM CONSTRUCTION

None

PROPOSED FEDERAL LANDS HIGHWAY PROGRAM (subject to change pending program reauthorization)

<u>Park Area</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Funds</u>
Blue Ridge Parkway	Resurface Parkway	\$10,000
Blue Ridge Parkway	Repair Bridge	\$1,900
Blue Ridge Parkway	Repair Bridges and Tunnels	\$150

HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND: STATE GRANTS

State apportionment: \$661

STATE CONSERVATION GRANTS

Proposed state apportionment: \$2,075